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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
TAKESHI KAJIYAMA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: SOFOCLEOUS, A.
SERIAL NO: 10/678,254 :
FILED: OCTOBER 6, 2003 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2824
FOR: MAGNETIC MEMORY DEVICE, :
DATA COPYING APPARATUS, DATA
COPYING SYSTEM, RECORDING
MEDIUM AND DATA COPYING
METHOD

ELECTION

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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

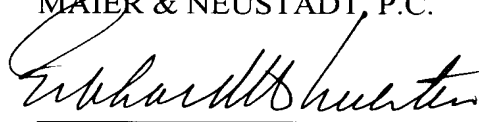
SIR:

In response to the election requirement dated June 24, 2009, Applicants elect Species I, identified in the outstanding Official Action as corresponding to Figure 22, for further examination on the merits. Applicants identify Claims 1-9, 19-25 and 34-36 as being readable on the elected Species. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-9, 19-25 and 34-36 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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